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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Chu, et al.

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FOR CORRELATED NOISE
REDUCTION IN A TRELLIS
ENVIRONMENT

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FIRST RESPONSE

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Sir:

In regard to the outstanding non-final Office Action of June 29, 2004, Applicants submit the following First Response with amendments and remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper.

However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Thomas Kayden Horstemeyer & Risley, LLP Deposit Account No. 20-0778.

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